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RECEIVE HONORS—Six teachers of vocational agriculture congratulate each other after receiving service pins in ceremonies in Dallas. Left to right: C. P. Vicery of Temple, who was honored for 30 years service as an agriculture teacher in public schools; T. L. Duffey of Plainview; H. M. McElroy of Eden; O. O. Miller of Silsbee; F. A. Lloyd of Mesquite and O. B. King of Canton, who received 25-year pins. The presentations climaxed the annual meeting of teachers of vocational agriculture teachers.

MRS. PAUL BRYAN, wife of a Hamlin lumber yard owner who fishes for a pastime, is a fisherman in her own right. In fact, she has given her frau some valuable lessons in the art through the recent years.

The Bryans have a cabin on the banks of Possum Kingdom Lake over near Breckenridge, to which they tie almost every chance they get—and they have fish to eat on every trip, they will tell you.

"That big lake is looking plenty good now since the recent rains," Mrs. Bryan smilingly told us the other day. "The dock in front of our cabin is floating again for the first time in many months, and the lake looks broad and inviting again."

"Fishing at the lake has never been poor," Mrs. Bryan declared, "but with the added water and broadened 'foraging' for the fish the sport should be even better from now on."

SANDSTORMS got to be so bad the past several weeks in the Lamesa country, declares an article in The Lamesa Reporter, the natives had sand morning, noon and night, in copious quantities. It even inspired new words for a popular song.

Declaring that it is time for Lamesans to start "singing in the sand," Rev. Marvin Layman and Mrs. H. W. Bischoff of Lamesa came up with the following words for a special song for the South Plains.

If you think you can sing it to the tune of "Don't Let the Stars Get in Your Eyes," well—who's going to stop you.

DON'T LET THE SAND GET IN YOUR EYES Don't let the sand get in your eyes, Don't let the drouth break your heart.

Cotton blooms in June, In sandstorms it dies! Don't let the sand get in your eyes, O, keep the furrows free! For some day it will rain, Cause God and Krick will send us rain from up above.

Too many nights, Too many days, Too many miles the sand has blown— This can't last too long; Don't forget you still belong, So till the rains come down, Remember forty-nine!

MAX BENTLEY, former editor of The Abilene Reporter-News and later connected with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, who was here several days ago in the interest of the Southwestern Diabetic Foundation, highly complimented Hamlin on its refusal to "get down in the dumps" as a result of three years of drouth.

"I find some communities in my travels over the state," Bentley said, "that have already thrown in the sponge after experiencing hardships as a result of the drouth—but not optimistic Hamlin."

Bentley went on to say that, with the type of never-say-die citizenship which the community possesses, Hamlin surely is destined for growth and prosperity as soon as some crops in the area help to bolster its economy that has been aided by oil development, the Celotex mill and other contributing factors like the oil mill, compress, feed mills, elevators and railroad activities in the community.

OUR RUSHING through life these days causes us to miss many of the worthwhile things. An unknown author says it might pretty in a little ode we picked up the other day:

Never say you have no time To look at lovely things . . . Clouds and flowers and butterflies, Green leaves and flashing wings. In a hurry you may be, But as you rush along Knatch a second now and then To hear the blackbird's song. Seize a quiet moment In the turmoil of the day— A halloved instant here and there, A space to pause and pray. If from worldly thoughts You never take a minute's rest, You will find at journey's end That you have missed the best Missed life's secret meaning As you bustle to and fro Dazzled by the whirl and glitter Of the passing show. Learn to stand quite still and listen,

Uttering no word; Midst the many voices Let the inner voice be heard.

Cotton Thrives Despite Hot Weather and Some Insects

Yields Estimated At Half Bale Per Acre for Section

Maybe things really look more promising to the drouth-ridden cotton farmers, gingers and others vitally interested in the cotton crop for 1953—but folks are getting downright optimistic about the prospects for a good yield of the fleecy stuff this fall and winter in the Hamlin territory.

If there are any readers who do not already know, let us point out that it has been three years since even a fairly good cotton crop has been harvested hereabouts due to the drouth.

Following the 4½-inch rain of July 17, the little straggling cotton of the territory took on growing pains that won't quit. Of course, several additional showers—which in a few spots have added up to seven more inches of moisture—have kept the growing and fruiting periods well underway.

Cultivators and cotton choppers have been going at a fast clip since and between the rains in an effort to control the jillions of weeds that came with the new moisture. Scourges of insects that posed considerable threat to the cotton crop have not developed to a great extent yet, most growers contacted by a Herald representative report. The growers are alert to the insect damage and are prepared with dusting and spraying facilities to wage all-out war on the insects when they come in devastating numbers.

FIELDS look like real cotton country, and estimates already are flying that yields will average as high as half a bale per acre in the Hamlin section. Numbers of fields will make a bale per acre, some folks declare.

Cotton Gins Ready in Anticipation of First Good Crop in Area in Four Years

Cotton gins in the Hamlin section are preparing for a buzzing good time this fall and winter. It promises to be the most active season in four years, inasmuch as several gins that have not run the last year or two are preparing to get into operation again.

Predicated on the prospect for a good cotton crop—the best since 1948—the gins are now repairing and getting into ginning shape in the territory.

Extensive repairs are being made at the Producers Gin in Southwest Hamlin. Robert Johnson will be manager at this gin, succeeding W. R. (Bill) Terry.

Hamlin Farmers Cooperative No. 2, which was built new in 1951, is ready to gin, according to W. W. Fletcher, manager. The coop's No. 1 gin in North Hamlin has been converted from steam to



Blankenship Gets Award for 10-Year VA Service Record

Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas has singled out eight teachers of vocational agriculture in West Texas to receive 10-year distinguished service awards. Among them is T. C. Blankenship, teacher of VA at Hamlin High School for seven years.

Blankenship received an engraved certificate in recognition of his 10 years of outstanding service as a teacher of vocational agriculture in the public schools of Texas. The awards are made only to VA teachers who have rendered outstanding service to their communities and to the state of Texas over a period of years. Blankenship was selected by the association because of his organization program for agricultural improvement in the Hamlin community.

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Students from Aspermont from the seventh through the twelfth grades are being transported to the Hamlin school. Lower grades will be taught at Aspermont, it was recently voted by the Aspermont school board.

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Tuxedo Gin, which recently was sold by the Planters Gin Company of Sweetwater to Eck Gillespie of Tahoka, is being overhauled at the school building.

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Water from Paint Creek Due in Hamlin Next Week

Wheat Growers of Area See No Gleam in Acreage Plan

Hamlin area wheat growers are given no encouragement by proposed wheat acreage reductions stemming from Washington. Three years of drouth have been automatic "reducers" of production in this section, they recall sadly.

Texas wheat plantings for 1954 harvest would be slashed 662,137 acres lower than this year under an agriculture department production control program.

The department announced this week a breakdown among states of the 62,000,000-acre wheat allotment set for 1954 by Secretary Benson last week. Texas' acreage would be 4,800,863 compared with 5,423,000 acres planted for harvest this year.

The allotment is designed to help restrict production so price depressing surplus will not be increased.

The state allotment will be apportioned among counties and then divided among farms on the basis of past acreages in wheat, tillable acres, crop rotations, type of soil and farm topography.

Benson has invoked rigid marketing quotas which would be based on the farm allotment. That is, each farm would be permitted to sell free of penalty all wheat grown on its allotted acres. Quotas must be approved by at least two-thirds of the farmers voting in a referendum August 14.

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Water from the city's new source at Paint Creek Lake will not be available for several days yet, the water department says.

Mayor B. M. Brundage says the South Lake will be used for emergency source of water after Paint Creek water is available.

Persons interested in entering any division are asked to write the County Agent at Roby for a fair catalogue. No entry blanks are required and entries will be accepted until Thursday, August 27.



HOME TO THE LONE STAR STATE—Governor Allan Shivers welcomes back M-Sgt. Hugh Hilson of Conroe, from duty in the Far East when he arrived in Seattle, Washington. At the right is Queen Shirley Givins.

Parallel Parking on Main Drag Due Soon

Parallel parking along South Central Avenue will be inaugurated within the next several weeks, it was announced this week by Hamlin city officials.

Information about student registration will be announced within a few days by school officials.

Faculty appointments have been about completed, Huchingson said this week. Two less teachers will be on the staff at the start of school due to drop in the average daily attendance last year, Huchingson said. The drop in attendance was occasioned, he said, by the removal of several families from the district because of drouth conditions.

Teacher pay assistance from the State Department of Education is based upon the average daily attendance, Huchingson pointed out.

With prospects for crops in the area now bright, attendance may grow, and the teachers may be restored later.

Fisher County's Rodeo and Fair Slated at Roby

Fisher County Fair and Rodeo will be held August 27 through 29 according to an announcement made this week by officials.

Fair dates are Friday and Saturday, August 28-29; the rodeo is scheduled for August 27-29. Parades will precede the rodeo the afternoon before the shows.

Fair divisions open to the public are: Beef cattle show, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, horses, field crops and the women's events, which include canning, sewing and cooking exhibits. No poultry show will be held this year. No entry fees are charged.

Ribbons will be awarded as prizes for winners of the various divisions in the fair. Approximately \$2,000 in prize money will be awarded rodeo winners.

"Fisher County extends a warm welcome to her out-of-the-county friends to enter any event in our eighth annual fair and rodeo," says County Agent, Frank L. Crowder Jr.

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Residents of that section this week warned other users of the unsafe condition of the bridge.

Half of Line from Stamford Tested, Other Tests Due

Water from the new Paint Creek Lake will flow into the Hamlin city mains by next week-end provided no undue difficulties develop to occasion further delays, it was announced this week by Hamlin city officials.

The 20.7-mile pipeline of 12-inches circumference, which was completed several days ago from the diversion station in North Stamford to Hamlin, and tests of the long string of pipes, the connections and valve systems have been underway for several days, and should be completed some time next week, Mayor B. M. Brundage told The Herald Wednesday.

Tests of the line from Stamford to Tuxedo were completed first of the week. A few minor leaks were discovered in the tests, it was reported, but no difficulty was expected in remedying these. Balance of the line into Hamlin was to be tested this week-end or early next week, city officials said. Several days' time is required to fill the line with water for the tests.

Brundage said the water line from Stamford to Hamlin was a major task completed in good time by Ennis Construction Company of Amarillo. The concrete-reinforced steel tubing was manufactured by a Dallas concern.

Along the 20-mile line about 70 customer taps were installed in the big pipe. These will be connected after the main line is put into service. Three big taps were placed in the line in East Hamlin or industrial concerns and for future fire hydrants, Brundage said.

Oil Development In Area Continues At Steady Pace

Oil development continues at a steady clip in the Hamlin area. One completion was recorded during the past few days.

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 person or firm appearing in these columns will be cor-
 rected, gladly and promptly, upon its being brought to
 the attention of the management.**ON PASSING GOVERNMENT PLUMS AROUND**

This editorial is the climax to a lot of thinking we have been doing over a several-month period. It is not only the result of a lot of our own personal opinions, but its sentiment is reflected in the thinking of many common citizens of this territory and elsewhere.

Because our niche in the national economy picture is so small and insignificant, our joint voice will probably not be heard outside a 25-mile radius. The people of Abilene, Sweetwater, Breckenridge and Stephenville will not be interested. But we plan to see that our U. S. senators and congressmen get special copies of the editorial, and they will be asked to write open letters in reply.

Of course, some of the expressions of this editorial may not appear economically sound, but they represent the common sense thinking of untold numbers of small-time citizens.

There is a very definite feeling among many that government hand-outs (no matter if they are drouth payments, parity payments, plow-up checks, relief funds, flood control or highway appropriations, air field projects and a thousand and one other so-called economic government expenditures) are so unfair. Let us illustrate what we mean.

During the past several years huge money grants have gone to cities like Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston and San Antonio to help build super highways which most of us old "country folk" never see or use.

Abilene, for example, is basking in huge appropriations for the air base that will prove a definite economic stabilizer to that community, but will not benefit the average homesteader one iota.

Don't Call Me

Newsweek recently printed a letter from one of its readers, John J. Wicker Jr., which began: "Everybody is in favor of economy; everybody is in favor of reducing taxes—but—and this is always a big BUT—everybody wants the economy applied somewhere else."

Wicker then said this situation reminded him of an British Army marching song which went about as follows:

"Call out the Army and the Navy
 Call out the blooming rank and file
 Call out the good old Territorials
 They'll face the danger with a smile."

"Call all the old battalions that made old England free—

Call out my father, my brother, or any other—

But, for Lord's sake, don't call me!"

That attitude has been dominant for 20 years. We've finally reached the point where, if we are to have honest and economical government, which is as essential to our security and survival as military power itself, they're going to have to call you!

Federal Aid for Highways

Apportionment of federal aid highway funds for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1953, sets Texas' total share at nearly \$34,500,000, which is subdivided among the primary system, secondary and feeder roads, urban highways, and the interstate system. The total sum authorized as federal aid to the states amounts to \$575,000,000.

The procedure in applying for funds begins, as heretofore, with the State Highway Department, from which recommendations are made to the Bureau of Public Roads. The city official's first contact on a proposed federal aid highway project is with his local highway official.

Urban highways in Texas have been allocated nearly \$6,500,000 for the next fiscal year. Other allocations include approximately \$15,800,000 for the primary system; \$10,600,000 for secondary state roads; and \$1,600,000 for the interstate system.

Millions are being thrown into great irrigation and flood control projects that will aid principally the folks who happen to live right around the projects like Lake Whitney near Waco.

Powerful small groups with lots of noise cause our legislators to vote for such big expenditures that constitute a major portion of our deficit-ridden national budget.

So, we want to publicly ask Senator Lyndon Johnson and Congressman Omar Burleson: What about those little people of the small towns like Hamlin and Anson and Cisco and Dublin and hundreds of others? Where is their hand-out? They are citizens of your districts, too—remember?

Hamlin and Anson and hundreds of other small towns could use some federal aid for streets, dams, water projects, sewer extensions, hospital facilities and scores of other worthwhile projects. The small town merchant could use some assistance in his struggle to keep going just as much as the drouth-ridden farmer.

Mr. Legislator, had it ever occurred to you that the little dry goods merchant and blacksmith shop operator are entitled as much to government checks for business they do not do as is the farmer for crops he does not grow under a plow-up program or the auto dealer for cars he could not get during war production? Others could not get merchandise and supplies, too—remember?

If there are to be government-sponsored relief programs (most of which are actually not needed or do not give the suffering ones the relief they need) don't forget those other good citizens who do not squawk about help, Mr. Legislator.

Content Determines Value

It is the content of our lives that determines their value. If we limit ourselves to supplying the means of living, in what way have we placed ourselves above the cattle that graze the fields? Cattle can live in comfort. Their every need is amply supplied.

Is it not when one exercises his reason, his love of beauty, his desire for friendship, his selection of the good from that which is not so good that he earns the right to call himself a man?—Arthur H. Compton.

Editorial of the Week**TARIFFS HANDICAP AGRICULTURE**

Our rapidly increasing national population is a favorite subject of guest speakers at agricultural meetings. These speakers make dire predictions that the time will come when the farmers of this country will find it difficult to produce enough food to maintain our present standard of living. This is all very interesting, and even more so to those who contemplate engaging in the business of farming than to those already trying to find profitable markets for last year's crops.

But in spite of the fact that our population is increasing and the number of farmers has been reduced to about 18 per cent of the total, we still produce a surplus of many major crops, such as cotton, corn and wheat.

These commodities are in demand throughout the world, but unfortunately, those who need them have no money with which to buy. This situation will continue until the Congress, backed by the administration, makes it possible for our would-be customers to secure the dollars needed to purchase the requirements.

This can be done only by overhauling our patchwork system of tariffs.

To suggest any lowering of tariffs brings strenuous protests from those people who imagine they are profiting by them. However, if it is true that agriculture is the main spring of our economy and that industry prospers in the long run when agriculture prospers,

American industry, the most efficient in the world, certainly should be able to adjust to new conditions.—Farm and Ranch.

Highlights and Sidelights from Your State CAPITOL

By Verne Sanford, Manager, Texas Press Association.

tive Marshall O. Bell of San Antonio.

Bell told the council that "cities should grow in an orderly way, but we ought to prevent the incorporation of 'parasitic' areas seeking to avoid city taxes while obtaining the benefits of a nearby big city."

On the other hand, cities should be stopped from annexing farm territory, or from expanding where there would be no benefit offered to residents of the area."

Findings of the Council will be referred to the next Legislature.

Scheduled in federal court is the National Labor Relations Board's attack on the Texas "right to work" law.

Federal Judge R. E. Thomason of El Paso ordered Attorney General John Ben Shepperd to appear and testify in regard to an injunction suit filed by the NLRB.

The board by its suit is undertaking to prevent the attorney general from enforcing parts of the law as applied to a San Antonio collective bargaining case.

Texas' law in this instance is in conflict with the national labor

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What they might have on their minds might be plenty. It would involve whether the Shivers "conservative" people would retain control of the Democratic party in Texas, or whether the "liberal-loyalist" faction would regain control.

Hopefuls in the political races of next year were concerned—especially prospective candidates for state and national offices.

Politically and otherwise, a great deal depended on the governor's decision as to whether he will run for another term, seek some other office, or retire from the public service.

Several potential candidates are waiting for the governor's announcement before completing their own plans.

Some of the "experts" here said Shivers will try for a third elective term as governor, because in that position he could exert his influence most effectively in keeping Texas on the "conservative" side with respect to national policies.

A meeting of the executive committee at this time indicates strongly that the political forces are beginning early to prepare for next year's three-sided campaigns, with competition from both Democratic factions and from the Republicans.

Otherwise, there was the business of replacing two members of the executive committee.

Mrs. L. E. Tennyson of Clifton resigned because of illness in her family. Peyton Knight of Quitman left the committee to take a position with Jack Porter of Houston, oil man and national GOP committeeman.

Sandlin's announcement of the Mineral Wells meeting came while Shivers was attending the national governor's conference at Seattle, where President Eisenhower expressed his views on states rights.

The federal government, said the president, should never undertake to do for the state anything that the states can do for themselves.

This was what most of the governors wanted to hear. Shivers chairman of the conference, had said that the problem of "bringing the government closer to the people" was considered by most of the delegates as the most important question before the meeting.

Governor Dan Thornton of Colorado agreed that there should be decentralization of government and that the nation is still in danger of "drifting into socialism."

From Seattle came an indication on the part of some for Shivers to enter the presidential race in 1956. Louisiana's Governor R. F. Kennon made the suggestion to reporters there—a thought that has been expressed in Texas and elsewhere before.

Everett L. Looney of Austin, president of the State Bar of Texas, has removed himself as co-counsel for District Judge Woodrow Laughlin of Alice.

Looney gave two reasons for his withdrawal: first, he is ill and unable to appear at the ouster proceedings; and second, some of the directors of the state bar felt that it was improper for him as president to appear in the Laughlin case.

Looney called for a special meeting of the bar directors for August 13 to determine what action if any the lawyers' organization should take in the Laughlin case.

Eleven South Texas attorneys petitioned the Supreme Court to hear a list of complaints against the Alice judge and to consider removing him from office.

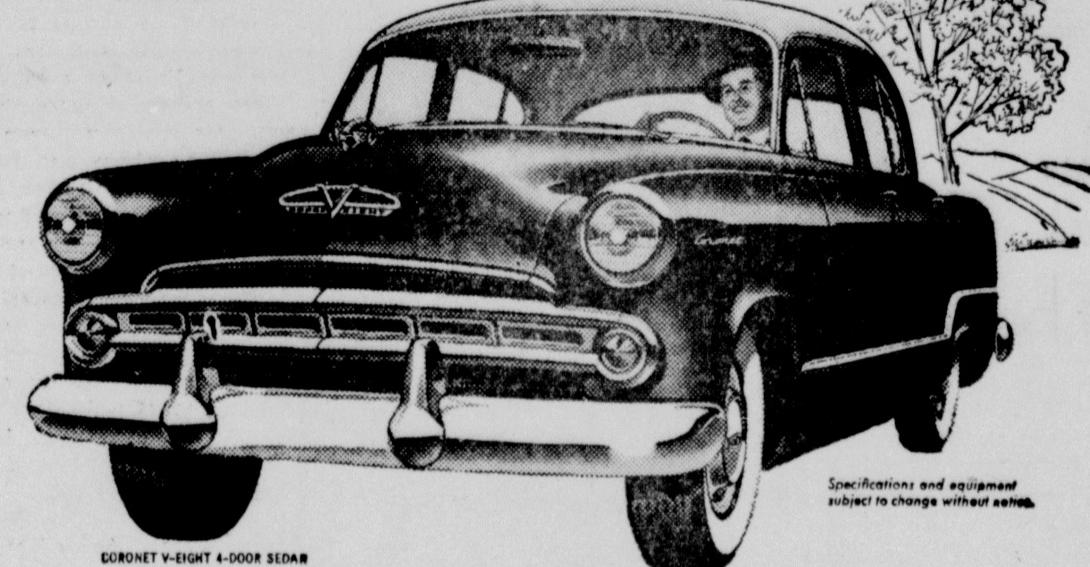
Proceedings are scheduled to begin August 17.

Loughlin is accused, among other things, of interfering with a grand jury investigation into election matters in his district.

An annexation powers of cities is being studied by the Texas Legislative Council.

Laws governing annexation have not been changed for 30 years, and there is need for revision, in opinion of many, including Representa-

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The Herald's Page for Women



AROUND THE COUNTY

By Jimmie Lou Wainscott,
County Demonstration Agent.

Last week I visited Mrs. Ed Pollock at Tuxedo. The purpose of the trip was to return her large

crock jar that the Home Demonstration Clubs used at their encampment. She has a sewing cabinet that really caught my eye. It was built just over her sewing machine and is about the same

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Congressman Burleson Recounts Busy Late-Minute Rush as Congress Recesses

Congressman Omar Burleson begins his weekly column this week. "The closing days of Congress are always hectic and rushed—and this Congress was no different." If we would think this situation back in the earlier part of the year, probably we would not talk away so many valuable days.

However, it is our system and remains the best in the world. As everyone knows, the House and

 Senate do not always pass bills in the same form. The result is that these bills must go to a Conference Committee, composed of the members of both the House and Senate. In the Conference Committee, the differences of opinion are reconciled.

After this is done, the representatives of each of the legislative bodies report back on their compromise and the bill must then be approved or rejected by each House of the Congress.

This practice means that final action on much legislation is necessary in the last week or 10 days of the session. The Congress was in session from early morning until late at night during the last days before adjournment. Such pressure takes its toll in patience, tempers, and sometimes even life itself.

Everyone has his own idea as to whether this first session of the 83rd Congress has been a success or not. One thing is certain—it is humanly impossible to take up the reins of leadership and responsibility in this huge and complicated government and immediately start doing a perfect job of driving. President Eisenhower and his selected officials have had to earn a lot of things the hard way. The president and most of his top officials admit as much.

Another thing is certain—it is easier to criticize when something goes wrong than to add construc-

tive efforts to see that it doesn't go wrong.

Personally, I know that in this session of the Congress, as in the past, I have voted and acted on each issue as it was presented, regardless of party or any other influence. I never contend that I do not make mistakes. Sometimes only the future can prove whether proper judgment has been exercised.

President Eisenhower has already laid out a part of the program for the second session of the 83rd Congress, which convenes next January 6th.

He indicates that he will ask for certain revisions in the Taft-Hartley Act. He will ask for a revamping of the tax structure; expansions of Social Security to cover another 10,000,000 people or more; probably changes in the farm program; a program for the conservation and development of natural resources, particularly water; and other legislation vitally affecting the lives of all of us.

HIGHLIGHTS

(concluded from page two) relations act, the NLRB contends. Behind the NLRB action are two injunctions forbidding the International Fur & Leather Workers Union of the United States and Canada from participating in an election to be held by workers of the Nelson Tanning Corporation of San Antonio.

Under present Texas laws labor unions are prohibited from operating in the state without first filing a detailed financial and operational report with the secretary of state. And union organizers must file a report and secure an organizer's card before conducting their soliciting activities in Texas.

Another Texas law under attack is the driver responsibility act.

The test is going to the U. S. Supreme Court.

D. C. Gillaspie of San Antonio is contesting the law, after registration of his family car was suspended because his son, who was driving it, figured in a traffic accident.

Under the law as it now stands, the son must show financial responsibility before the car can be driven by anyone.

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RESIGN FROM TEXAS PMA COMMITTEE—These men are three of the four members of the Texas Production & Marketing Administration Committee who announced their resignation in Dallas. They were appointed by a Democratic Administration. They charged that their new chairman, Claude K. McCan of Victoria, an appointee of Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson, had failed to call a regular monthly meeting in July and that decisions on state agriculture policies were made "without consultation of the other legally appointed members." Left to right as they checked their telegram of resignation to Benson are: Victor L. Code of Lubbock, Howard T. Kingsbury of Santa Anna, and J. R. Adams of La Feria. The fourth committee member was Gary B. Sanford of Timpson, who was not present for this picture.

From all indications, the next session of Congress will be an extremely busy one.

He was getting less than some of the lowest paid employees.

As this is published, I shall be on my way back home and will

The only salary increase I have supported in this session of the Congress was for the chaplain of the House of Representatives. He devotes his full time to the members and employees. From day to day he takes the place of the local minister back home.

His salary had been forgotten and he never mentioned it. Several of us, however, happened to find he was only being paid \$2,800 a year, which could only mean a bare living in Washington. We were able to raise his pay to \$4,200.

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Beef Cattle Premiums Upped at State Fair

Beef cattle premiums have been upped substantially for the Pan-American Livestock Exposition of the 1953 State Fair of Texas, October 1 through 12, livestock manager, Ray A. Wilson has announced.

A total of \$22,220 will be split among five breeds of beef cattle, \$5,020 more than last year. There will be \$7,860 in premiums for Herefords, \$4,856 for Aberdeen-Angus, \$4,500 for Brahmans, \$3,000 for Shorthorns and \$2,000 for Santa Gertrudis. In addition, herdsmen will be eligible for special cash awards.

The Santa Gertrudis show will be the first to be presented at any major livestock show. Premiums for all the other breeds have been increased considerably over last year.

Third Sunday Singing Scheduled at Dovic

Regular Third Sunday Singing will be held at the Dovic church, Sunday, August 16 beginning at 2:00 p. m., according to an announcement made Monday.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend and participate.

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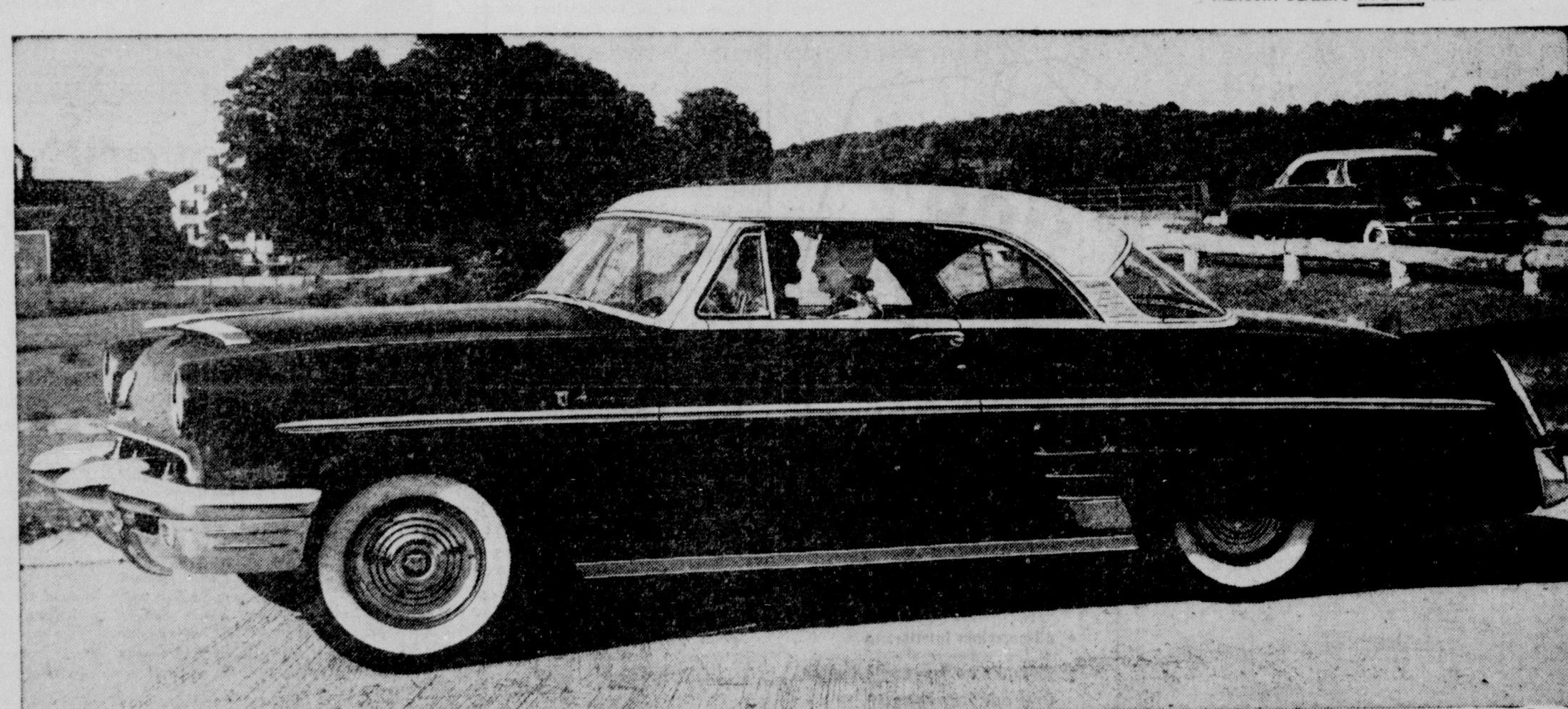
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New Gas Line from Stamford to Abilene To Augment Facilities in Hamlin Area

Lone Star Gas Company has completed plans for construction of a 36-mile pipeline from Stamford to Abilene which will strengthen the gas supply for towns in eight West Texas counties, according to an announcement by Julian L. Foster of Dallas, general superintendent of Lone Star's transmission division. The facilities, designed under supervision of Thomas S. Bacon, chief engineer, will provide a second connection with the company's interconnected transmission network for the local distribution plants.

Costing in excess of \$835,000, the 12-inch diameter pipeline will join the transmission system at Lone Star's compressor station one mile west of Abilene, cross Jones County and terminate at Stamford where it will connect with transmission facilities serving towns in Hardeman, Wilbarger, Foard, Baylor, Knox, Haskell, Jones and Fisher Counties.

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City Fire Officials Talk at Rotary Meet

Hamlin Rotarians last week at the regular Wednesday noon luncheon heard Mickey McGuire, fire marshal, and Less Hastings, fire chief, tell of their recent experiences while attending the Fireman's Training School at A. & M. College.

Chief Hastings stressed the new method of "wet" water for fire fighting and the many demonstrations and actual methods that he picked up for the local department.

Marshal McGuire stressed the need for fire prevention because he said, "There are more fires in the United States than any other 18 countries in the world put together."

Bill Eyssen Goes to Position at Tulsa

W. H. (Bill) Eyssen, general practicing attorney at Hamlin for seven years, left this week for Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he will join the legal department of the Texas Natural Gas Corporation.

Eyssen had been city attorney during part of his residence in Hamlin. He recently had maintained offices in the former Farmers & Merchants National Bank building.

The construction work will be carried out by regular Lone Star crews augmented by workmen recruited from the Abilene-Stamford area. The construction will be under direction of Luther Tolbert of Dallas, superintendent of Lone Star's pipeline department, and Vaughn Sears, construction foreman.

Love makes obedience lighter than liberty.—Wm. R. Alger.

Grazing Practices Make Good Headway In Hamlin Territory

Roy Moritz, farmer west of Stamford, has started deferment on 63 acres of native pasture land. Resting his pasture this summer will allow grasses, injured by the past years of dry weather, to regain their vigor and allow them to reseed, declares the office of the California Creek Soil Conservation District.

Billy Maberry, farmer in the Hamlin area, has 12 acres of alfalfa planted on land subject to overflow. The alfalfa is still doing good even though the land has not overflowed for two years. He plans to let his alfalfa rest this year and thicken his present stand.

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Ex-Comanche County Residents Set Reunion

Announcement was received by The Herald Wednesday that the annual Comanche County Reunion will be held at Mackenzie State Park in Lubbock, Sunday, August 23.

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From some of the 40 cities in which this column will be published I will have letters from their Chambers of Commerce to prove that their community is a milder and more pleasant place to live. This may be true, but such "pleasant" climates do not develop ruggedness and that "drive"

which is so dominant in New England. Furthermore, I am not comparing New England on the basis of natural resources. We have no oil, no natural gas, or coal; we have no broad acres of fertile lands; we have no mines of iron, copper, or other minerals. We have nothing but rocks, woodlands, brains and energy.

New England does have a climate which develops courage, initiative, and "drive". Statistics clearly indicate that variations in weather with regular changes from warm to cold, rain to sun-

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precipitation from them. The same low moving through or north of New England will have a new batch of southerly air to work with.

5.—Regarding the warming up of climate, I still believe that the rate of change is rather slow and that in the course of the usual variability seasons substantially colder as well as warmer than normal are still to be expected. Statistics show that the average temperature where you live has increased only three degrees in 100 years. Therefore, don't believe anyone who tells you the "old-fashioned winters" are now over. You may have one next year.

6.—Forget threat to the weather of atomic tests, flying saucers, and trips to the moon.

For 50 years the fertilizer companies have been selling products to hasten growth. Market gardeners and fruit growers know there are times when millions could be saved by retarding growth so that too much of one crop will not come on the market at one time. Furthermore fruit crops are often lost by too early budding. This will be prevented before long by the use of the new wonder chemical "Hydrazine." (For details see Scientific American for July, 1953.) I am already testing it to make unnecessary the mowing of my lawn but once or twice a season.

Perhaps the most remarkable

development is coming in the use of sprays to kill insects and other pests. I have a friend who is spraying his trees with electronic waves; he uses no chemical sprays. These waves, he claims, both save him money and do not harm the fruit, birds, or bees which are so necessary for good gardens and fruit orchards. I look forward to the time when a farmer will sit in his office and push one button for rain; another for warmer weather; another for spraying his crops; another for artificially inseminating his cows—while he watches colored television dramas.

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Mr. Pool, 65-year-old farmer of the Rochester community, died at a Knox City hospital last Wednesday after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were conducted at the Rochester Methodist Church at which Rev. Floyd Bailey, Four-square pastor at Knox City, officiated, assisted by Rev. Cecil Meadows, Rochester Baptist pastor. Interment was in the Rochester Cemetery.

Born May 5, 1888, in Bell County, Mr. Pool came to West Texas many years ago.

Survivors include his wife; one daughter, Mrs. Buddy Tankersley of Knox City; five sons, Rev. Carl Pool of Hamlin, L. B. Pool of Fort Worth, W. A. Pool of Enoch, Cecil Pool of Shafter, California, and O. D. Pool Jr. of Rochester; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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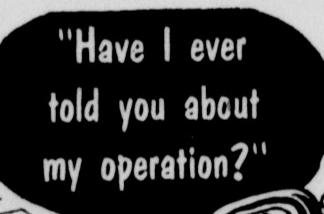
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